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Dear Sir,

This paper is responsive to the most recent Office Action on the merits, dated August 13, 2002 (Paper No. 13), for which a response is due November 13, 2002. Accompanying this paper is a Petition for a three month extension of time, along with authorization to charge the Deposit Account for the requisite fee. This sets the deadline to February 13, 2003. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed.

Applicant has given careful consideration to the analysis in the Office Action. Please enter the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Amend claim 57 as set out below.

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